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TO AMEMBASSY MADRID

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TAGS:OVIP (RIVERO, AMB. HORACIO)
SUBJECT: SPEAKING INVITATION IN CHICAGO

1. MID-AMERICA COMMITTEE (COMPOSED OF CHAIRMEN OF BOARDS, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF CORPORATIONS) OF CHICAGO AND SPANISH-US CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF MIDWEST HAVE WRITTEN AMBASSADOR PREVIOUSLY CONCERNING INVITATIONS TO SPEAK DURING CONSULTATIONS IN US. THESE PRESTIGIOUS GRUOPS HAVE AGAIN CONTACTED DESK WITH REQUEST THAT AMBASSADOR VISIT CHICAGO DURING FORTHCOMING TRIP.
2. GROUPS PROPOSE THAT AMBASSADOR TRAVEL TO CHICAGO ON EVENING FLIGHT, ADDRESS BREAKFAST MEETING OF MID-AMERICA COMMITTEE AT 0800 NEXT MORNING, THEN ADDRESS LUNCHEON MEETING OF SPANISH-US CHAMBER, RETURNING TO WASHINGTON SAME AFTERNOON (OR, AS SOME AMBASSADORS PREFER, RETURNING DIRECTLY TO POST VIA NEW YOKK). ALL TRAVEL AND HOTEL EXPENSES WOULD, OF COURSE, BE PAID BY ORGANIZATIONS.
3. OWING SHORT LEAD TIME, SPEAKING DATE DURING LAST WEEK OF CONSULTATIONS (I.E, INTO MONTH OF JUNE) MUCH PREFERRED BY ORGANIZATIONS, REQUEST REPLY ASAP.

4. FYI, AMB. SAGAZ WAS TO HAVE ADDRESSED THESE GROUPS IN

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APRIL BUT COULD NOT. ORGANIZERS STATE THAT, IF US
AMBASSADOR NOW ALSO UNABLE SPEAK TO THEM, RESULT
WOULD BE A "DISASTER" FOR THEIR PROGRAMMING. END FYI. RUSH

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